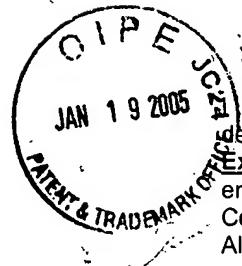


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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)
Hidetaka NUMATA, et al.	)
Serial No. 10/036,798	)
Filing Date: December 20, 2001	) Examiner: Awad, Amr A.
For: MANUAL INPUT DEVICE WHICH	) Group Art Unit No. 2675
PROVIDES ITS CONTROL KNOB WITH	)
PLURAL MODES OF OPERATION	)
FEELING, AND CAR MOUNTED	)
APPARATUS CONTROLLER BASED	)
THEREON	)

## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 CFR § 1.114)

Mail Stop RCE  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant requests continued examination under 37 CFR § 1.114.

- Applicant is:
- a small entity, verified statement is:
- attached
- already filed
- other than small entity
- The fee set forth in § 1.17(e) must be filed along with this request:
- Attached is a check in the amount of \$790 for the § 1.17(e) fee.
- Charge the § 1.17(e) fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.  
A duplicate copy of this request is attached.
- A submission must be filed along with this request. The following submission is filed herewith:
- An Information Disclosure Statement
- An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings
- New Arguments and/or New Evidence in Support of Patentability
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- A petition and fee for an extension of the time is enclosed herewith.
- A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the additional claims fee is enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 1/19/05



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